FOOD PURCHASE REPORT

United States Department of Agriculture

Agricultural Marketing Service

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OFFER TO BUY: Canned, Frozen, and Fresh Fruit and Fresh Bulk Potatoes for Processing

Department of Agriculture announced it is planning to purchase canned, frozen, and fresh fruit and fresh bulk potatoes for processing for distribution to the Child Nutrition Program according to Robert C. Keeney, Deputy Administrator, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service.

The anticipated purchases will be made from offers that must be submitted on a delivered-to-destination price basis. Deliveries will be required during the period of October 1 through November 30, 2006.

Products, container sizes, and approximate quantities sought are as follows:

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PRODUCT	CONTAINER	U.S.	NO.
	SIZE	GRADE	CASES
Canned Apple Slices	6/#10	A	72,960
Canned Applesauce	6/#10	A	242,592
Frozen Apples	30 lb.	A	33,000
Fresh Apples	tray pack	U.S. Fancy	51,744
Fresh Bulk Potatoes for Processing	bulk	U.S. No. 2	83.7 lbs.

PLEASE NOTE: This announcement does not commit USDA to purchase specific quantities or particular products. The quantities described in this FOOD PURCHASE REPORT are estimates and are intended to provide only general notice of USDA purchasing plans. Those plans are subject to change. Actual purchases will depend upon prices and quantities offered as well as possible adjustments in user requirements.

Invitations to bid, including final details and specifications, will be sent to processors. Offers to sell these products must be received not later than the date specified on the Invitation to Bid. All bids must be submitted using the Domestic Electronic Bid Entry System (DEBES). Offerors who submit bids using other than DEBES, will be deemed non-responsive.

Further information can be obtained from the Commodity Procurement Branch, Fruit and Vegetable Programs, Agricultural Marketing Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, 1400 Independence Ave. Room 1406 - South Building, Washington, D.C. 20250, telephone (202) 720-4517 or our Internet Site: www.ams.usda.gov/cp.